

## Shelby County, TN Office of Preparedness HLS/EMA



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**Upstream Flooding of the Mississippi River Not Likely To Cause Problems Locally** 

Officials with the Shelby County Office of Preparedness continue to monitor the water levels of the Mississippi River. However, they don't believe flooding conditions north of Memphis will be a concern locally.

"We met this morning with meteorologists with the National Weather Service. Although water levels are high along the Mississippi, the conditions won't likely cause a repeat of the floods of 2010 and 2011. Conditions are fairly typical for our area this time of year. Water levels should remain two feet below flood stage," said Bob Nations, Director of the Shelby County Office of Preparedness.

Forecasters say one, possibly two inches of rain could fall in Shelby County this weekend. High rainfall usually causes street flooding and some pooling of water in yards close to the Loosahatchie and Wolf Rivers and Nonconnah Creek. Those living and traveling near low-lying areas should be on the lookout for hazards caused by the heavy rain.

"We don't expect any major problems this weekend. However, people need to stay aware of the weather. Conditions can quickly change," add Nations.

For more information, contact the Shelby County Office of Preparedness at **(901) 515-2525** or visit the website www.staysafeshelby.us

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